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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Procurement Division,
Office of Logistics

FROM : [REDACTED] 25X1
Chief, Management Staff, ODP

SUBJECT : Automatic Data Processing Equipment
Procurement Policy (U)

1. Automatic data processing equipment (ADPE) manufactured in a foreign country is becoming more and more common in the American marketplace and, hence, senior ODP managers are becoming increasingly concerned, for security reasons, about the possible introduction of foreign made ADPE into Central Intelligence Agency facilities. Two primary reasons for these concerns are physical security considerations and the potential requirement for visits to Central Intelligence Agency facilities by representatives of foreign vendors such as manufacturing engineers.

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[REDACTED] When difficult, complex engineering problems are encountered with ADPE manufactured in U. S., it usually is possible and sometimes necessary to bring design engineers to Headquarters to resolve the problems. However, it would not seem prudent to bring design engineers of foreign manufactured equipment into Agency buildings. Our security concerns, then include:

- Alteration of equipment for surveillance or disruptive purposes during manufacture.
- Embargo of spares, upgrades, engineering changes, or follow-on technology.
- Alteration of equipment for surveillance or disruptive purposes during service (including modification of TEMPEST equipment).

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- Difficulty in access to engineering/manufacturing personnel.
- Possibility of having to utilize foreign national engineering/manufacturing specialists for maintenance of hardware/software. (C)

2. Therefore, for security reasons, and with the concurrence of the Chief, Information Systems Security Group, Office of Security, we propose to establish the following policy regarding the procurement of ADPE for use in Office of Data Processing computing facilities.

"It is the policy of the Office of Data Processing that automatic data processing equipment which is substantially of foreign manufacture will not be procured for use in Office of Data Processing computer networks." (U)

3. Do you have any suggestions, for procurement reasons, that would strengthen this policy? (U)



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